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President Adolph Johnson Initiates the First SUP Entry in July 24th Parade

SEEN ON TOP OF THE COACH FROM THE LEFT IS LT. COL. ELMER B. JONES, GEORGE C. LLOYD, BARBARA REESE, D. WESLEY REESE, PRESIDENT JOHNSON. DRIVER OF THE SIX HORSES IS MR. THURSTON OF MORGAN. SHOWN ON THE LOWER DECK ARE JO LLOYD AND VILATE JONES. RIDING THE REAR SEAT ARE FLORENCE AND MILT BACKMAN. LAGOON LOANED THE VEHICLE TO SUP.



The President's Message

by D. Wesley Reese

I would like very much to say thank you for the vote of confidence the members of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers have given me to serve as president of this great organization. I realize the great responsibility of this office and know it is going to be difficult to fill the shoes of those outstanding men who have held this office before me, but I pledge my best efforts to do everything possible to help this organization reach the goals and potential for which it was organized.

It has been a choice opportunity to serve on the National Board and become better acquainted with those fine devoted men who serve there so unselfishly. Our past president, Adolph Johnson, is a man who is more than willing to give all the time and effort necessary to accomplish the many tasks he did while in office. His wisdom and leadership this past year deserve the love and respect of each of us. I will be happy to have him at my right hand this coming year to provide strength and counsel.

A CHOICE ENCAMPMENT

To Alma King, his committee from the George Albert Smith and Brigham Young chapters and to the Brigham Young University staff and housing personnel, we give a very sincere thank you for a most successful encampment. The entertainment, food, housing and campus were all lovely. We all enjoyed ourselves very much and this will go into our memory book as another outstanding encampment.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE

As we enter this new year, let each of us take a good look at our own goals and accomplishments in SUP this past year. Are we satisfied? I think most of us would have to say "no." I would like to challenge each of us to find ways of increasing our membership and encouraging some younger men to join us also. This is a great challenge to chapter presidents to have treks and programs that will attract men to join this great organization.

Again I would like to say, let us join our hearts and hands in brotherhood and make this a banner year for Sons of Utah Pioneers.

I appreciate the friendship I have found in SUP and the following poem expresses my feelings.

*It is my joy in life to find
At every turning of the road
The strong arm of a comrade kind
To help me onward with my load.
And since I have no gold to give
And love alone must make amends,
My only prayer is: While I live,
God make me worthy of my friends.*



Past national presidents are: Adolph Johnson, Verl G. Dixon, Dr. Orson D. Wright, Morton Hill, Roy Knell, J. Rulon Morgan, John A. Shaw and Milton V. Backman.



Our busy executive secretary George C. Lloyd and his wife Jo.



NEW OFFICERS TAKE THE REINS OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION



The newly elected officials to the national board are shown in the accompanying picture. Beginning at the left is President D. Wesley Reese, President-elect Oliver R. Smith, and the following vice presidents: Roland Mortensen, Verl L. Petersen, Ken Wiseman, W. Phillips Robbins, Veron P. Curtis and Elmer B. Jones. Clinton Beasley was elected to the Life Membership committee. Absent from the Photo were vice presidents Michael C. Allen and Lanell Lunt. Eli LeCheminant is a new member of the Life Membership committee.

These officers do inspire confidence. May they have a good year!

A profile story appeared in the July-August magazine about President Reese of Logan.



— photo by Emmett L. Morris

PROVO ENCAMPMENT SUPERB

A highly rewarding convention was presented to the SUP membership and their wives by Alma King, chairman, assisted by an able committee and the two chapters in Provo.

In the beautifully clean setting of the BYU campus the three-day programs were not only entertaining but were also cultural and educational. This reflects the careful planning and consideration of our Provo hosts.

BANQUET IS EXCITING

President Adolph Johnson presided at the climaxing banquet which was held in the spacious ballroom of the Wilkinson Center. Three hundred twenty-nine persons were present at this gala dinner and dance.

LIFE MEMBERS HONORED

Twelve new life members were called up to receive their pins. They included Eldon J. Card, Roy W. Doxey, W. Phillips Robbins, John F. Johns, Woodrow W. Caldwell, Shirley L. Debenham, G. Lynn Garff, Fred Weenig, Verl L. Petersen, C. Marcus Jensen, Clive C. Johnson and Clinton J. Beasley.

Chairman Arthur Wiscomb reported that six of the above men were from the East Mill Creek chapter which now has a total of 26 life members.

BUSINESS MEETING

Following the treasurer's report by K. Grant Hale, Dr. Orson D. Wright told of the completion of the relocation and dedication of the SUP Pioneer Village at Lagoon.

Then Col. Fred M. Reese invited all to join the bicentennial trek which covers the Pioneer and Battalion trails. A historical musical pageant will be staged in five of the cities enroute.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT APPROVED

Judge Advocate Milton V. Backman presented the previously advertised changes in the constitution and they were accepted by the majority. This allows for additional vice presidents. One each was approved for the Sierra and the U.S. Mormon Battalion chapters. Associate members may now vote and hold office. However, they may not exceed the number of ancestral members.



Lucille O. and Alma King



Logan quartet at business meeting.

1977 ENCAMPMENT IS SCHEDULED



The Reese family



President-elect Oliver R. Smith with wife Barbara.



Mrs. and Mayor Grange of Provo.

East Mill Creek's request for next year's convention was accepted. It is the year of East Mill Creek's centennial and will bring much activity to this south east community in Salt Lake County. This large chapter is capable of organizing a super encampment. Woodrow Caldwell is chapter president. Date of the convention is August 18, 19 and 20.

EXCURSIONS POPULAR

Verl G. Dixon arranged for some pleasant and historical tours to Heber City via the old railroad, and to the Hutchings Museum in Lehi enroute to Fairfield.

ELECTIONS AND AWARDS

These important items are reported in other stories in this magazine.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS — THANK YOU

The encampment committee serving with chairman Alma King are: Eldon J. Card, Jean Card, Leland M. Perry, Carr F. Greer, J. Rulon Morgan, Grant Ekins, Verl G. Dixon, Elvis B. Terry, Don L. McConkie, Lucille O. King, Aura C. Hatch, Victor J. Bird, Alvah Fitzgerald, Lee and Melba Nebeker.



Past President Johnson places the executive pin upon D. Wesley Reese.

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COMMITTEE

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Alvin C. Hull, Logan

Verl G. Dixon, Provo

Clinton Beasley, Brigham City

Service Unlimited

Top Individual Award Goes to Verl G. Dixon

Verl Grant Dixon was born November 26, 1908, at Provo, Utah, the son of Ernest and Mary Ann Painter Dixon. His father was a building contractor and brick layer who built many public edifices, including the First Ward Chapel in Provo. His grandparents were pioneers of Utah.

EDUCATION AND VOCATION

In 1932, he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Brigham Young University. The following year (1933) he did post-graduate work at the Teachers' College of Columbia University in New York City. While there he became associated with the national office of the Boy Scouts of America as assistant to the director of registration department. While working in the national office he took night classes at Columbia University under Dr. Harry D. Kitson, studying personnel administration.

After four years in this capacity (1937) he was transferred to the position of field executive and served for the next two years at Visalia, Tulare County, California. When his father passed away he returned to Provo. Verl is an Eagle Scout. He is on the Executive Board of the Utah National Parks Council of the Boy Scouts and holds the Silver Beaver award for extensive service.

He joined Fred L. Markham's staff as a draftsman. Upon the recommendation of Mr. Markham he worked for the United States Army Engineers, who were constructing Hill Field at Ogden, Utah. When this task was completed he returned to Provo and became an aide to Elmer Jacob, the City Engineer, as a building inspector. He is a licensed building contractor.

CHURCH SERVICE

Verl has always been active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. During the years 1929 to 1931, he served as a missionary in the French Mission. Later he served as superintendent of the YMMIA. He was scoutmaster and a president of the 45th Quorum of Seventy, then was counselor to Bishop Ralph C. Fletcher in the Provo Third Ward for eight



Verl G. Dixon

years. He later was bishop of that ward for four years. At the present time he is on the Provo Utah Central Stake High Council and is a sealer at the Provo Temple.

FLIGHT OFFICER

Merrill Christopherson was the first to arouse his interest in aviation. Under Merrill's leadership Verl gained a private pilot license, a commercial license and then an instructor rating. As an instructor he taught Army and Navy Cadets under the War Training Service Program in Provo, Richfield and Logan. Following a period of flight training he was commissioned a Flight Officer at the Douglas Air Force Base in Arizona and was assigned to the Air Transport Command on February 28, 1944. During World War Two he served in Europe, Africa, Middle East, and the Asiatic-Pacific theaters. On January 25, 1946, he was

released from active duty as a flight officer and returned to civilian life in Provo.

THRICE MAYOR OF PROVO

In November of 1946 he was elected to the position of County Clerk of Utah County and served four years. Following this he served eight years as Utah County Commissioner. He was President of the Utah Association of County Officials in 1955. He was manager of the Provo Metropolitan Water District until he resigned to work for the re-establishment of the commission form of government and became the Mayor of Provo City, serving three terms in that position. He was president of the Utah State Municipal League in 1966. He is one of two men who have served as president of both the Utah State Municipal League and the Utah Association of County Officials.

MORE COMMUNITY SERVICE

He is former treasurer of the Rheumatic Fever Foundation. He has had a perfect attendance in the Provo Kiwanis Club for 26 years. He is a past commander of the Dean Mendenhall Provo Post No. 13 of the American Legion and is a former trustee of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Currently he is president of the Eldred Foundation.

He is a member of the George A. Smith chapter and the Brigham Young chapter of SUP. He is currently a board member of the National Society of SUP and a chapter president. He served as national president for the year ending August 1972. He is a Major in the Mormon Battalion.

FAMILY

On October 8, 1943, Verl married Adryne Hodson, daughter of William and Madeline Menary Hodson, in the Salt Lake Temple. Adryne passed away June 28, 1945, while Verl was in the Service, leaving an infant daughter, Linda. Linda now has five children and lives in California.

Verl married Virginia Poulsen, daughter of George William and Ellen Christine Rasmussen Poulsen in the Salt Lake Temple on June 17, 1952. They have two children: Mary Ellen and Merrill Verl.



Henry A. and Pearl C. Anderson Cheever

OUTSTANDING COUPLE FOR 1976

On the seventh day of November in the year 1826, in Hanesville Providence, Rhode Island, an important heritage was started. A son came into the world on this day to bless the lives of his parents, Amos Cheever and Abigail Cooper Keech Cheever. He was given the name of Henry Albert Cheever I. Henry A. I grew up and in the year 1850 at Council Bluffs he met Bishop Edward Hunter, who hired him as a teamster to drive one of the teams to Salt Lake Valley. After this trip Henry A. joined the L.D.S. Church in Salt Lake City. He met and married Mary Jane Nelson in 1856 and from this union came Henry Albert II. He was born in Provo, Utah, on December 14, 1863. In 1893, at the age of 30, he married Margaret Ann Wright. Continuing a wonderful pioneer heritage they, Margaret and Henry Albert II, had five children, one of whom was born July 6, 1900, and they named him Henry Albert Cheever III.

WORK & MARRIAGE

Henry grew up with loving parents, two brothers, and two sisters. He attended school at American Fork. At the age of 8 he worked in the sugar beet fields for 50 cents a day. In 1922 he started working for Utah Copper Company, which later became the Kennecott Copper Corporation. He worked for this company as a crane operator and after 46 years of loyal work he retired. In 1923 Henry A. III and Pearl C. Anderson were married and sealed together for time and all eternity in the Salt Lake Temple. Henry A. III's wife, Pearl, was born, raised and attended school in Fairview, Utah. Pearl taught Sunday School and attended the L.D.S. High School in Salt Lake. She later filled a mission to the Northern States for the church.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Henry has held many positions of responsibility in the church. He has been an Elders Quorum president, a bishop, a Sunday School superintendent, High Priest group leader, general secretary of the Aaronic Priesthood and also served on the Stake Sunday



Henry A. Cheever and wife Pearl receive congratulations from President Johnson.

School board and the Stake High Council. He is now serving as a Stake Patriarch, and as a supervisor of ordinance workers in the Salt Lake Temple.

Pearl, too, has been busy and willing to serve when needed. She is a Licensed Practical Nurse and has delivered or assisted in delivering about two hundred babies in the Bingham Canyon area. She worked for doctors for 25 years in different capacities. Her positions in the church have been teaching Sunday School, Genealogy classes and Relief Society. Pearl has been a counselor in Mutual, a Relief Society president and has served on the Sunday School Stake board.

FAMILY

Together these two very special people have filled a mission in the East Central States (the state of Kentucky) and have for seven years now been ordinance workers in the Salt Lake Temple for three days a week. But, most importantly, they have three children. The oldest is a Bishop, the second a private secretary and the last a Registered Nurse. They now have thirteen grandchildren, three of whom have filled missions. They also
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BRIGHAM YOUNG CHAPTER

The Brigham Young chapter has been and is fully organized according to the outlined suggestion in the constitution and bylaws, with special assignments to the executive officers under membership, attendance, life membership, program committee, social, historical, special projects, and publicity, with Alma W. King, chairman of the 1976 encampment committee, at each meeting. All committees are and have been fully active.

Executive meetings have been held regularly each month, with a roster set up at the beginning of the year for the entire year. Attendance has been 95-100% at all meetings. Special meetings have been held in connection with the national encampment committees.

MEMBERSHIP

The chapter has a paid up membership of 71. We added 14 new members in 1976. We have 11 life memberships (15.5% of our total).

At our regular monthly dinner meetings we have had from 54 to over 100 in attendance. Our chapter has participated in all seminars, and several



Eldon J. Card, B.Y. chapter president, accepts plaque on behalf of his group.

carloads attended the dedication of the Pioneer Village at Lagoon.

PROGRAMS

Constant monthly contact with members has been adhered to and a monthly bulletin sent to each telling of the activities.

The chapter monthly speakers and programs have been of the most excellent quality of historical and spiritual significance.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

In a service project to the wards of Utah valley we encouraged the use of speakers on the pioneer theme of the settling of Utah and offered our services as speakers where local ones could not be found. We had fine response to this service project, and members of our chapters were Sacramento meeting speakers in Payson, Springville, two BYU branches and three wards in Provo.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Dozens of our chapter have served on committees to make this the best Encampment so far. The cooperative willing service of all has been wonderful. Hundreds of service hours have been spent.

OUTSTANDING COUPLE

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have five great-grandchildren. Their Pioneer heritage is continuing.

As neighbors they have always been available in times of sadness and grief with understanding hearts. They always have a hearty handshake and a friendly smile for everyone they meet, whether they are old acquaintances or new ones. They also make a yearly event of visiting all their neighbors on Christmas morning to wish them the Season's Greetings.

Physically, both Henry Albert and Pearl have kept active in many ways. After retiring Albert has set up his own carpenter shop where he has indulged in making bookcases, doll cradles, chairs and other items to please family and friends. His garden is his pride and joy. Pearl has kept active as the neighborhood nurse. Vacation

tours are a favorite of theirs as well as being active in the "Sons of the Utah Pioneers." They are always available to their friends and neighbors in case of need.

The Cheevers do and have always lived a very rich and spiritual life.

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Both Are Deserving Past Presidents**SPECIAL AWARDS FOR TWO MEN****Eugene (Gene) Watkins**

Eugene Peters Watkins, a son of George Wilford and Emeline Peters Watkins, was born in Brigham City. He received a bachelor's degree in business from the University of Utah in 1925. He received his certificate as a Certified Public Accountant in 1930 and his certificate as a member of the Society of Real Estate Appraisers in 1954. Gene's business career was with the Beneficial Life Insurance Company where for the last thirty-three years of his employment he served as an officer, serving at the time of his retirement as vice president and secretary and as a member of the company's board of directors.

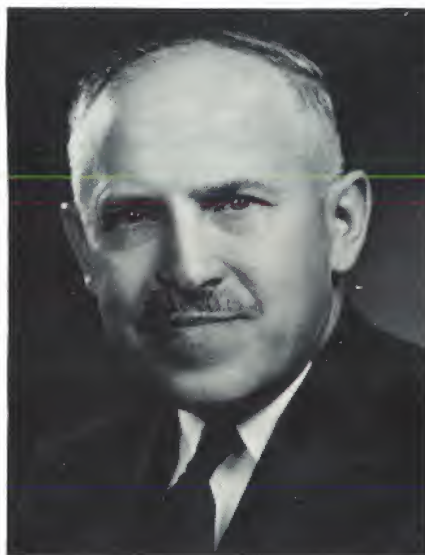
GOALS REACHED

Gene joined the Salt Lake City chapter in 1946. He was a director of the Days of '47 for ten years, serving the last three years of this assignment as co-president. He is at present and has been for the last ten years a member of the Executive Board of SUP.

In 1968 he was requested by the general authorities of the LDS Church to chairman the SUP committee to raise \$18,000.00 to pay for erecting the SUP Mormon Battalion Monument in the Presidio Park, San Diego. The total amount raised was \$19,000.00.

Gene was elected president of the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. During his term of office, the SUP, with the presence of Pres. Hugh B. Brown and Elder Mark E. Petersen dedicated and presented the Mormon Battalion Monument to the city of San Diego. The Society also presented to President Joseph Fielding Smith an honorary life membership in our organization and held in Kanab, Utah one of SUP's most enjoyable and outstanding annual national encampments.

During the last three or four years Gene has served as a member of the committee negotiating the transfer of the Pioneer Village to the Lagoon Corporation and the committee assigned to recommend the recently approved

*Eugene P. Watkins**Milton V. Backman***Milton V. Backman**

Milt Backman is a friend who serves tirelessly and endlessly in a variety of activities.

1949 — President of the Ambassador Athletic Club.

1953 — Awarded the famous Silver Beaver, along with Oscar Kirkham. Has now given 56 years to scouting. Member of executive council since 1942.

1954 — Appointed Judge Advocate for SUP. Has been on the national board almost ever since.

1965 — Milton and wife, Florence, received the outstanding couple award.

1966 — Elected national SUP president

1976 — (June 2) Was 56th wedding anniversary. He and Florence went to grade school together. They have two children, Betty Esch and Dr. Milton V. Backman, Jr. who has his doctorate in colonial history from the University of Pennsylvania. Milt Jr. is assigned to write the Ohio district history for the LDS Church.

Milt's maternal grandparents were handcart pioneers from England.

Professionally Milt is an attorney and a member of both the Utah and California Bar. He is currently serving as counsel for the Utah Society for the Prevention of Blindness. Although past retirement age, Milt goes to his law office daily and puts in about 4 hours. He keeps fit by playing golf and racketball three times per week.

He has spent many years serving with the Pony Express organization. He is currently the secretary. Horace is the president.

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SIERRA CHAPTER

We received a report from members who attended the National Encampment. Dr. Perkins, chapter president; Ralph Bird, president-elect; Grant Ursenbach, national director; and Max Smart represented us at the encampment and informed us of the actions on the associate member and national vice president amendments. The dinner meeting was held August 26 at Buffee's Buffet.

U.S. MORMON BATTALION TREK

September 8 and 9, Sierra Chapter will entertain members of the Battalion in Sacramento. They have accepted our invitation to stay in our homes during their visit. Please call Dr. Perkins or Ralph Bird on how many you can accommodate; it is a wonderful opportunity. Plans will be discussed at the board meeting for the total program of activities while the U.S. Mormon Battalion is in our area.

HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS

The July 22 meeting was enjoyed by all who attended at the Sacramento East Stake Center. Earl and Alice Taylor provided an excellent dinner topped out with ice cream a la San Francisco Mint. The historical artifacts were of great interest. Virginia Eggen displayed a swatch of petticoat material that belonged to her grandmother, Lydia Burnham, who crossed the plains in 1852 at the tender age of 5. Larry Stapley explained how he came into possession of the original 1830 edition of The Book of Mormon. Gil Holland also had an early edition dated 1888. Janet Hansen, Earl Taylor, Maureen Smart, and Grant Ursen-

bach's show and tell items were very interesting. Austin Hunt displayed an old Chinese water jug that he found at Silver Reef. Ralph Bird, in his collection of old money, had a nickel without any "cents." Dr. Perkins had several interesting family treasures including a land grant given to his great-grandfather by John Tyler, 10th President of the United States. Ray Willis displayed a bonnet that belonged to his great-grandmother, the first white child born in the Salt Lake Valley. Bill Covington collected some of the items for a display by Sierra Chapter at the El Dorado County Museum.

The June meeting for Sierra Chapter was at the Sacramento East Stake Center. Mr. Norman Wilson, Supervisor of Interpretive Planning for the California Department of Parks and Recreation spoke on the Historical Railroad Museum under construction in "Old Sacramento."

PONY EXPRESS

The meeting heard Judge Sherrill Halbert who was instrumental in the recent dedication of the Pony Express Monument in Old Sacramento.

The dedication of the Pony Express Monument took place June 4, 1976 and Salt Lake S.U.P. members Milton Backman and Horace Sorensen were in attendance with their wives. President Evan K. Perkins and Duane Ford of Sierra Chapter were also at the event and took pictures. Brother Backman and Brother Sorensen are also members of the Pony Express Historical Society and have been active in establishing monuments along the Pony Express Route.

PIONEER CHAPTER

Special holiday activities included sponsoring the Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. Saturday July 24 at the Tabernacle. The speaker was President Ezra Taft Benson. Music was by the Mormon Youth Symphony and Chorus.

A Chapter Breakfast was held immediately following the Sunrise Service at Lindsey Gardens Park. Free for Pioneer chapter members and their families.

We enjoyed the big Pioneer Days Parade in downtown Salt Lake which began at 9:00 a.m.

There was no meeting of the chapter in August but members were encouraged to attend the National Encampment at the BYU Campus, August 12-14 in Provo, Utah.

September 8-9, 1976 — U.S. Mormon Battalion reception and parade in Old Sacramento. Details are still in planning stage and further information will be announced.

President Perkins was authorized to negotiate with a firm to make cloth decals for attachment to our yellow jackets. Those will make it easier for identification at national encampments and other historical events. The Chapter enjoyed an excellent dinner and program at Camp Nauvoo under the auspices of our Placerville S.U.P. contingent. Bill Covington provided excellent guide services at the El Dorado County Museum. We are proud of the accomplishments of our Placerville members and their activity in El Dorado County historical activities and other community events.



AND VIEWS

EUGENE WATKINS

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amendments to the Society's Articles of Incorporation.

CHURCH SERVICE

Gene's church activities include a two year mission in the Northwestern States; he served as Bishop of Emigration Ward and later Douglas Ward; member of the Bonneville Stake High Council for ten years. While residing in the Monument Park Stake he served as Stake Mission President and as a member of the stake's High Council for seven and one half years. At present he serves as a host at the Visitors Center on Temple Square and as a veil worker at the Salt Lake Temple.

FAMILY

Gene and his wife, Areba, have two daughters, Marjorie W. Davis and Judith Watkins. They have five grandchildren. Gene's first pioneer ancestor was William Lampard Watkins, a young minster in his church in London, England; who, after becoming a Mormon migrated to America and arrived in the Salt Lake Valley by ox team in September 1952. His other grandparents were also Utah Pioneers.

On The Trail With The Mormon Battalion

COMPANY D IS ACTIVE

Company D has been very busy in the past three months. A committee was selected to build a float on which older members could ride, so that every member could be involved in the parades.

Temple Fork Chapter of S.U.P. was invited to join in the project. They paid the \$135.00 cost and we furnished the labor.

A sign on each side of the float says, "U.S. Mormon Battalion and Pioneers Open the West in 1846." In the battallion section, Earl Hansen was Capt. James Allen and Earl Gordon was Brigham Young with the American flag on one corner and a campfire with a big black pot on the other corner.

In the S.U.P. section is a handcart with Pearl Gordon and Gwen Astle, who are both in wheelchairs. They with Julia Muir, are all dressed in pioneer costumes. There are also three children in pioneer dress around the handcart.

The float is used in parades behind the marching unit, which has 16 to 20 men in uniform and 6 to 9 women in pioneer dress.

MANY ACTIVITIES

1. Saturday, May 12, 1976: Marched in the Smithfield Health Day Parade. Col. Elmer Jones and three men from Salt Lake City joined us.
2. Monday, May 31: Flag raising at State Capitol, Salt Lake City.
3. Monday, May 31: Dedication of Pioneer Village at Lagoon.

4. Friday, June 18: Trek to first L.D.S. Church co-op dairy at Beaver Dam, Utah. The old rock dairy is still standing. The property is now owned by Lorenzo Hansen, a member of the Battalion.
5. Saturday, June 19: Marched in the Franklin, Idaho, Pioneer Day Parade.
6. Saturday, July 3: Display on Logan Tabernacle Square. Earl Gordon and Earl Hansen were on the float as Brigham Young and Capt. James Allen. Narration of important events on battalion march and battalion hymn were on tape. Sketches of important events on battalion march, handcart, campfire. Battalion members were in uniform in formation at the flag raising. Members in uniform with their ladies in pioneer dress were at the display for the four hours. The route of M.B. march was shown on large U.S. map, also day by day march on small map. Roster of original Mormon Battalion, roster of Company today, pictures of activities of Company D this past year were displayed under the chairmanship of Bruce Allen.
7. Monday, July 5: Marched in Hyrum City Parade.
8. Sunday, July 18: Part of the program for sacrament meeting at Mendon Ward. Julia Muir, President of D.U.P. camp.
9. Friday, July 23: Color guard and honor guard for Pioneer meeting at Logan Tabernacle.

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President Johnson Reviews a Great SUP Year Of Events

My term as SUP President has come to an end. Through the association of many fine and wonderful people it has been eleven of the happiest and most rewarding months in my life.

Many choice experiences have been mine this past year:

First, were the monthly board meetings, where many officers traveled great distances but were always faithful in their attendance. We enjoyed a great rapport solving our problems and meeting each challenge. Working together I came to love and respect these men.

The obligation of Pioneer Village to Horace Sorensen was culminated.

A charter was issued to the Mormon Battalion making it an SUP chapter.

Midyear we were honored at our Christmas dinner with President and Sister Spencer W. Kimball as special guests, where he received a plaque and his Honorary Life Membership Certificate. Special thanks is extended to Joy and Eileen Dunyon and Ken and Min Wiseman for this event.

The building committee started the wheels turning to find a place for a new home for the SUP. Many meetings have been held throughout the year, and much remains to be accomplished here. I thank everyone who participated on this project.

I attended the Statehood programs held in several locations and also the Bicentennial Ball at the State Capitol.

I have attended several of the chapter meetings.

I joined the Mormon Battalion on their trek to Tucson and participated in the parade.

The George Albert Smith chapter became active, and many chapters increased their membership. I would like to congratulate the Life Membership committee for their excellent work in this area.

The highlight of the year came with the dedication of Pioneer Village at Lagoon under the direction of Dr. Orson D. Wright. We were very blessed to have our Prophet Spencer W. Kimball and his lovely wife with us to tour the Village and later for the dedicatory prayer. I express my appreciation to the Lagoon Corporation for their thoughtfulness and also extend personal thanks to Peter Freed. The

Pioneer Village is truly a place of beauty and a monument to our pioneer heritage. The Village itself is a tribute to Horace and Ethel Sorensen. My wish is for every SUP member and his family to visit the Village this fall.

Much information was gained at our seminar held in the spring, and the banquet was enjoyed by everyone. My thanks to D. Wesley Reese and to Joy and Eileen Dunyon.

The Sunrise Service in the Tabernacle sponsored by the Pioneer chapter on July 24th was a very inspiring program.

We had a fun ride in the parade on the 24th of July with many other board members and their wives. The luncheon after the parade was most enjoyable. President and Sister Kimball, President and Sister Tanner, President and Sister Romney, President and Sister Benson, Sister Kate B. Carter, Joy and Eileen Dunyon, Days of '47 Royalty and other special guests were in attendance.

It was a great experience planning the convention in cooperation with the B.Y. chapter and the George Albert Smith chapter.

It was an outstanding convention. We especially enjoyed the spirit and cleanliness of the BYU Campus. The outlined activities were well attended by the members. There were 329 in attendance at the banquet and dance. Thanks to the Sierra chapter for their support. We wish to thank BYU and the people of Provo for their hospitality.

I pledge my continued support to D. Wesley Reese in the coming year and hope that he may find the great satisfaction and love in the SUP organization that has been mine in the past year.

May I again express my love and appreciation to each of you, and may our lives continue to be strengthened by our association.

Sincerely yours,
Adolph Johnson
Past SUP President

Junior Contest Winner

HATTIE

by Pat Diane Buckner, age 17

Hattie* dropped to the ground, her small body hot and tired. Her feet were sore from the tight shoes, and the heavy dress made her very hot. Her mother was getting the evening meal ready, so Hattie started to look for fuel for the fire. She had not gone far, however, before she came running back to hide behind her mother's long skirts.



Pat Diane Buckner

Looking up to see what had frightened the girl, her mother saw two Indians approaching the camp. "George!" she called, her voice rising with panic. "George!" But he was taking care of the oxen and couldn't hear the mother's frantic calls.

As the tallest Indian came closer, she put some of the supper into a dish and fairly threw it at him, but that was not what he wanted. Through signs and sounds, he indicated that he wanted Hattie. The terrified little girl shrank back as he touched her bright auburn hair reverently.

The mother shook her head, crying "No! No!" The Indian grasped Hattie's hand and began to pull her towards him. The screaming child felt her mother's grasp tighten, but the man was strong, and nearly had the child when Hattie's father ran up with several other men in the company.

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First Place Winner in the Pioneer Story Contest

UP THE IRISH — MURPHY CAME TO LEEDS

by Gerald B. Higgs

"A truly amazing event, me boy." The seamed face of the white-haired Irishman was glowing with the excitement of the tale he was recounting. "T'was Morphy, o'course." The spalpeen was too honest; everyone believed him until that fateful day in '69.

"Sure and the devil grabbed those greedy miners to his bosom and poor Morphy was tarred and feathered." The old man glared at me with glacial blue eyes deep set below white eyelashes.

"Be ye from the Emerald Isle?" he demanded.

"Clan Dundee and Normandie French," I replied.

"Aye," he replied, "Bobby Burns and Louis." He tapped his cane and continued, "Tis close enough ye be. Now about pore Morphy.

"Morphy was doin' his job. He had left Utah in '67 to be an assayer in the brawny town of Pioche, Nevada. He was good — good and reported honest values. Shure, he was no lace-curtain Irish, no black Irish — just an acid-stained Irish who knew the importance of reporting true values to the miners who came to rely on his word.

"Ye have to realize that the ore the miners brought to him was rich samples and Morphy faithfully reported the subsequent high values. This made the miners suspicious, fer the spalpeens didn't bring grab samples, just high grade, so that they could brag on it.

"One day a black Irish name o' Finnigan and — — —," he accused me with his eyes, "a Scot name o' Laird decided to trick pore ol' Morphy.

"A peddler's wagon had lost a wheel and a sandstone grinding wheel had fallen off and broke into several pieces. The blackguards picked up a ten-pound piece and took it to Morphy fer value finding. O' course they knew he wouldn't find any silver or gold in sandstone.

"Kin ye imagine, laddie, pore ol' Morphy a workin' that night in his grimy room. He ground up the rock. He boiled some in acid. He burnt some over a flame. He weighed and worked, and his eyes lit up with satisfaction. Then he went to bed.

"Next morning Finnigan, Laird and several other blackguards met him. 'Morphy,' they asked, 'what value did you find?'"



GERALD B. HIGGS

Mr. Higgs, Pioneer Story Contest winner, presented his newest book, "Lost Legends of the Silver State" to the SUP at the time he received his gold medal from Dr. Oliver R. Smith.

A professional writer for 19 years with 200 short stories and articles published is the enviable record of the author. He is a member of the League of Utah Writers and has won 10 awards from them.

The highest paid article was "Ghost With A Gun," a story of Raphael Lopez of Bingham Canyon in October of 1913. This article was published in 27 countries and his agent, Jeanne Hale, now deceased, paid Mr. Higgs in excess of \$8000 for it over a period of 10 years. This won the Gold Quill Award as best published article in 1952.

He served with the Free French Air Force during World War II and was Colonel Claude Breyton's Chief of Staff and head liaison officer with the French Foreign Legion.

He is an ex-airline captain and established an airline in Paraguay, South America in 1956.

"Innocently Morphy replied that there was silver values in the rock amounting to 220 ounces to the ton. He congratulated the spalpeens for finding ore worth \$284 per ton.

"Pore, innocent Morphy. He was quite unprepared for the uproar and ruckus this caused." The old man scowled, "Aye, they did the man disgracefully. There was tar and feathers and the rail — and pixilated Morphy were the guest of honor.

"It took Morphy two days o' sand scrubbing and the loss of his hair to shed the feathers, but he didn't mind for he were curious about the peddler.

"Morph went to Delamar and found the mon. The peddler told him that he had traded for the grinding wheel in the farming town of Leeds, in Utah territory.

"We'el, Morphy headed fer Leeds, and when he arrived he began askin' questions about a supply o' sandstone. He were told to go north — and north he went till he reached a brae an' brawny reef o' sandstone which were like the bow o' a ship in the desert.

"He felt the knowin' feeling when he saw it, fer the colorin' were the same an' the texture o' the host rock. But he sampled — th' mon sampled the length o' the reef in secret — an' only when he were done did he stake his claims.

"The mon were daft. He staked silver claims — silver? On a sandstone reef? Sandstone bein' the host rock? Nah, laddie, the mon were daft. Even the Irish were knowin' different. There were na silver in sandstone. T'was impossible.

"Poor ol' Morphy didna believe it an' he sent ten tons o' sandstone to the mill in one week. His shipment caused people ta call him daft and other things not nice to e'en a shanty Irish. The laughin' stopped sudden when Morphy got a check fer \$1,800 from the mill.

"The laughin' stopped an the rush began. But Morphy was willin' and
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Second Place Winner**NIEL S. LARSEN — UTAH PIONEER**

My father, Niels (Niel S.) Larsen was born in Denmark April 12, 1852. His father — a prosperous sea merchant — heard Mormon elders preach the gospel of Jesus Christ in the early 1860's. The message found instant response in his heart and he joined the Church. Emigrating to Zion became an overpowering goal, though it meant sacrificing his livelihood and possessions and journeying to a strange land. But undaunted, he sold his home and his interest in ships, and prepared to leave for America with his wife, three sons — Peter 16, Niels 13, Hans 7, — and daughter Christina, 5.

Grandfather planned to travel by steamship, but learning the costly fare would pay passage of several Saints by sailing vessel, he contributed the extra cost and set sail from Hamburg on the Norwegian sailing vessel, the *Cavour* on June 1, 1866 with his family.

What were his thoughts as he watched the shoreline disappear in the dim distance? Could he have known the future — his wife's death, his own death, never reaching the promised land — would he have turned back?

The ship was crowded, and winds were sluggish and fitful. Sailors tried to adjust sails to catch every breeze, but the wind was still and dead. The

by Claire Larsen Jackson, his daughter

CLAIRE LARSEN JACKSON

She was born of pioneer parents before the turn of the century in a two-story brick house on South State Street, Salt Lake City, which was her family home for fifty years. She was 18 years old when she began to teach school and continued for forty years. During that time she secured a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Utah and a Master's Degree from the University of Washington at Seattle.

She has taught and held various positions in organizations of the L.D.S. Church and has been active, too, in educational organizations, having served as president of the Salt Lake City Teachers' Association and president of the Utah Retired Teachers.

She was married to Carl N. Jackson, who died in 1957. She has one daughter, Carol, married to Dr. David A. Kranes, and two grandsons — Jonathan and Michael Kranes.

One of her fondest childhood memories is of the story her father told of the tragic sea voyage of his family from Denmark. The announcement she read in the daily paper of the competition sponsored by the SUP for true pioneer stories proved an incentive to her.



ship was becalmed! Waves slapped gently, but there was no forward movement — only a vast, unending sea. The air was muggy, stifling. Drinking water was warm and scarce. Body wastes collected in piles and puddles, and water became contaminated. Dreaded cholera broke out among the passengers.

One of the first victims was my father's mother. The boys and little Christina huddled close to their father, with his comforting arms about them, as their mother's body, wrapped in sailcloth, was dropped overboard.

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Oliver Smith, left, presents medals for pioneer stories to Leah P. Kimber, Brigham City, and Pat Diane Buckner (17).



Gerald B. Higgs receives gold medal for his story.

***Reception in Sacramento, September 8-9,
Early Breakfast in Placerville, September 10***

SACRAMENTO ANTICIPATES SUP-BATTALION TREK

California, here they come, again! More than one hundred and fifty modern-day pioneers will arrive in Sacramento, state of the Golden West, September 9, to help celebrate our state's one hundred and twenty-sixth birthday. California was the thirty-first state to be admitted to the Union in 1850.

The visiting "pioneers" are descendants of those hardy men and women who helped build the state from scratch. They are members of two national organizations: The U.S. Mormon Battalion, Inc. and the National Society Sons of Utah Pioneers. Both of these groups are dedicated to research, perpetuation and preservation of deeds and history of Pioneers of the Nation.

This colorful group of visitors, not new to this part of state, attired in military and pioneer costumes of the period they represent, are on the last leg of a 3000-mile cross country trek (motorized, of course) in simulation and reminiscent of the military march of the U.S. Mormon Battalion 130 years ago.

U.S. ARMY OF THE WEST

In 1846-47 this 500-man segment of Colonel (later General) Stephen W. Kearney's "Army of the West", performed its grueling 2000-mile march from Council Bluffs, Iowa, via Santa Fe and the desert of the southwest to San Diego in six months. After lending its strength to holding California, in the War with Mexico, they were mustered out of military service in Los Angeles July 16, 1847.

Two months later, traveling by packtrain, 200 of these veterans arrived at Fort Sutter. Here in the fall and winter of 1847-48, one hundred and twenty-nine years ago, these men, the only skilled labor in this part of California, helped Capt. John A. Sutter complete his empire. Sutter's domain, established in 1839, known as

"New Helvetia" was populated for the most part by Mexicans and Indians.

COMMUNITY BUILDERS

These ex-soldiers of the Battalion were trained to supervise and work. They built flour mills, grist mills, dug ditches and canals, made shoes, molded and fired bricks, tanned hides, and built granaries. Nine of these men went to Coloma, on the South Fork of the American River 40 miles from Sacramento, to build Sutter's Saw Mill.

The story of their participation in the discovery of gold in the tail-race of that mill and weeks later a second discovery of gold at Mormon Island and the subsequent coming of the 49'ers has been told and retold in written word, pageant and drama. This group of visitors coming to our fair city of Sacramento on September 9 will be reliving this beautiful, true part of our history of the Golden West. It will be done in parades, pageantry and flag raising cere-

monies. There will also be a visit to Coloma, Mormon Island and Placerville, "Old Hangtown".

SAME ROUTE

It is planned the colorful, history preserving band of visitors will leave the state on September 10 from Placerville, via Pleasant Valley, Sly Park and the Mormon-Emigrant Trail which will lead them over the Kit Carson Pass through Hope Valley to Nevada and on to Salt Lake City. This will be the same route followed by their early counterparts, 128 years ago, who constructed this first west to east wagon road out of northern California.

Upon their arrival in Sacramento, headed by Fred M. Reese, Kanab, Utah, National Commander of the present-day U.S. Mormon Battalion, Inc., they will be greeted by a special reception committee from greater Sacramento area. The reception is being sparked and spearheaded by the local Sierra Chapter Sons of Utah, and California Pioneers. The president of the Chapter is Dr. Evan K. Perkins of Sacramento.

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NEW MAPLE GROVE AT PIONEER VILLAGE

One of the first activities of the Utah pioneers was to plant trees in and about their newly created villages. Every town had its rows of trees to act as windbreaks, provide shade, beautify the landscape and give a feeling of permanence to their labors.

Under the chairmanship of Joy F. Dunyon, the SUP organization is following this great tradition and supporting Governor Rampton's program of "A Million Trees for a Million People."

This year SUP has planted over 3500 trees throughout the State of Utah. Typical of their endeavors, the national officers of the organization planted a beautiful grove of maple trees at the Pioneer Village at Lagoon.



Adolph Johnson, Joy Dunyon and Peter Freed plant a maple tree.

UP THE IRISH

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able to defend that what he had staked."

The oldster chuckled and his eyes twinkled. He continued, "Aye, lad, tis true. Finnigan and Laird came around and Morphy — grandly and with style — gave the spalpeens a small lease.

"Nearly all his old enemies came over from Pioche and Morphy gave them leases. All Morph had to do was sit on the porch of his shack and count the tons of rock as they left the reef. Then he hired a good Irish lad from the old country to do that fer him.

"We'el, Morphy made about two million dollars in the next ten years. He went to the auld sod an' took a wife an' in grand style, Morphy became a lace-curtain Irish in Salt Lake City.

"His sandstone reef lasted fer ten years an' produced about one million a year plus a little — and Morphy were vindicated." He leaned back in his chair and his eyes brushed the crooked horizon.

I looked out over the broken ground which once had contained \$10,500,000 worth of silver — silver which, through some unknown phenomenon, had been trapped in sandstone.

His voice interrupted my thoughts. "Morphy called it the Silver Reef." Then his mouth closed and he appeared to be asleep.

I rose from my chair and put away my notes. I walked to the end of the porch and looked back at the once powerful but now shrunken figure.

His speech had been a quaint combination of 1880 American and 1847 Irish brogue — and he hadn't told me who he was.

But, I knew.

I turned at my buggy and waved at the lonely figure and examined again the remains of the once brawling town of Silver Reef, Utah, visible beyond the shack. "Good-by, 'Metalliferous' Murphy," I murmured, "luck you might have had, but you will be legend. Up the Irish."

And the reply softly echoed, "Fer Morphy came to Leeds."

HATTIE

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Seeing the men, the Indians quickly left. Hattie's father held his wife and daughter tightly until the tears subsided. The couple had lost two children to disease within the last few months, and could not face losing the last one they had.

After dinner that night, the mother took out her big sewing shears, and bade Hattie sit very still. The bright copper ringlets fell to the ground, leaving just a soft red cap of hair on Hattie's head. There was no more trouble with Indians.

**Harriett Clarissa Taylor McClellan was born in Birmingham, England, on June 23, 1858, to George and Eliza Nicholls Taylor. She came to America in 1863 on the sailing ship Amazon. Her fifth birthday was celebrated on board this ship. She lived in Provo for the rest of her life, helping her father operate the first photography studio there, and also being involved in many other "firsts." She died in May of 1958, 25 days before her 100th birthday.*



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NIELS LARSEN

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Many passengers were ill. Several died and were buried at sea. Grandfather, Niels, and Hans also became ill. When the ship finally docked there was no rejoicing — only relief. Passengers not ill were allowed to continue the journey west. Among these were Peter and little Christina. But Christina cried to stay with her father, and when Peter left someone took charge of her. Who? Where was she taken? Grandfather was too ill to know what happened and no one in my father's family ever saw little Christina again.

Passengers who were ill — including Grandfather, Niels and Hans — were hospitalized on Ward's (Ellis) Island. The "hospital" was really a "pest-house" — a long wooden structure with a row of single beds on each side of a narrow aisle. Patients were incarcerated there because they were too ill to enter the United States. Father could look across the beds to the far end where Grandfather lay. Hans's bed was across the aisle. Each morning and evening a man carrying a large basket tossed a chunk of bread onto the cover of each bed. This — with water — was their only sustenance.

Niels and Hans grew better, but Grandfather became weaker and weaker. When Father was almost recovered, Grandfather beckoned to him. Niels made his unsteady way to his father's side.

Haltingly, Grandfather spoke: "My son, this seems a cruel end to my dream of a new future. I will never realize that dream, but you and Hans will. It has been made known to me that the gospel revealed to the Prophet Joseph Smith is true. Though I will leave you, you must go on. Do not let anyone or anything interfere with that. Go on to Zion."

Soon after, Grandfather died. His burial place is unknown.

When Niels and Hans had recovered, Brother Miles (who presided over the New York L.D.S. Mission) took the boys to his home. He was very kind to them and they were made his wards. All efforts of relatives in Denmark to have the boys returned there failed. Tragically orphaned in a strange land, unable to speak or understand the language, the boys were impelled by one thing only: their dying father's words, "Go on to Zion."

Eventually Niels and Hans left New York with a party of Saints. They went by rail to the Platte River and then began the long trek westward, walking most of the way and sleeping under a covered wagon. Somewhere they caught up with the railroad builders, and Father — who was big and strong for his sixteen years — was offered good wages to work laying tracks. Tearfully he said goodbye to Hans, promising to rejoin him in Zion.

After several months of working on the railroad, Father arrived in Salt Lake City in 1868. He learned that Hans was living with a kind family named Porcher (probably on East South Temple Street). He started to walk there but soon found himself running. Excited, breathless, he reached the Porcher home. The brothers were together again! Nothing else mattered!

After this joyous reunion, Father reported to Church Headquarters. He was invited to live at the Beehive House, where he was given the same privileges as Brigham Young's own sons, and was expected to help with any needed tasks.

Father proved a dependable and capable worker. Two years had passed when Brigham Young Jr. offered him work at Alta, a nearby mining camp, cutting timber for railroad ties.

Niels asked permission of Brigham Young, who said, "Would you rather work for Brigham Jr. than for me?"

"No Sir," Father replied, "but he will pay me such good wages."

"Then go, my son," Brigham said. "I hope you will not regret it."

Alta was a rough western town. Often there were gun fights. In winter it lay under a deep white blanket of snow. The sun shone with a merciless glare. With no protection for his eyes, Father became snow-blind. Treatment only aggravated the condition and he became permanently blind at age 21.

Tragic as blindness was, it did not defeat Father. He was a handsome man, over six feet tall, straight and trim, with black hair that never thinned or became really gray, even at age ninety. An excellent salesman, for years he was driven by horse and buggy throughout nearby communities, selling woolen and knit goods. He also bought and sold real estate.

In his early twenties he married Eliza Toyn, who died quite young, leaving three children. Later he married my mother, Ellen Smith. She had nine children.

An active Church worker, Father was in the presidency of the Elders' Quorum in old Farmers Ward. Later he presided over the High Priests' Quorum. As head of the Amusement Committee he was master of ceremonies at missionary farewells and similar programs. He was a master story teller and entertained his children with tales of his own life or of the sea he remembered and loved.

Niel S. Larsen died December 31, 1942 — honored and respected by all who knew him, and dearly loved by his family and friends.

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There are those who today make light of the pioneers, who scoff at the virtues of those who came here in early years. They do so for a lack of appreciation.

Now I should like to make a plea and offer a challenge that we emulate in our lives a similar faith to that of the pioneers. We do not have the prairies to cross. We do not have to bury our dead in shallow graves in places we shall never again see. We are not called upon to grub the sagebrush and lead the mountain waters onto the fields. But we face challenges great and difficult. **WE TOO NEED FAITH. FAITH IN WHAT?**

FAITH IN OURSELVES, in our capacity to do great and good and even remarkable things. As our pioneer forebears made the desert blossom, we can make it more beautiful.

We can make our cities beautiful, our homes beautiful, our lives beautiful.

ful. We can rise above the mean and beggarly elements that so afflict our society. We can stand for those causes which are godly in nature. We can strengthen our spirit of true neighborliness. We can build and assist one another.

We can cultivate a greater **FAITH IN AMERICA**. This is an age of criticism, of faultfinding concerning our country. Our radio and television commentators are prone to emphasize the problems and minimize the virtues. Those who first settled these valleys believed that this nation was created by men who were raised up by the Almighty unto this very purpose. America was to them a nation of divine creation, the Constitution under which we live an instrument of God. Let us in that same faith speak positively of this land, uphold its Constitution, strengthen its laws by obedience, look for the virtues of its people,

and stand in gratitude before the Almighty for the freedom and peace we enjoy.

FAITH IN WHAT? FAITH IN THE ALMIGHTY.

Those who came to these valleys moved with a sure and certain knowledge that God is in His heaven, the Creator and the Ruler of the universe. Of course, there was adversity; there were the terrible problems of wrestling with storms and heat and cold and all of the vagaries of nature. But overriding all of their activities was a sweet and sublime faith that He is there, with power to help. We need that faith. We need to cultivate it. We need to live by it. We need to teach it to others. Let each of us reaffirm in our own lives the motto found on the coins of the land, **"IN GOD WE TRUST."**

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There's a long long tale awinding,
Into the land of the past.
We ought to write our story,
For that story will last . . .
Then our kinfolk and our friends, too,
Can read what we say.
Let's get it started now, please —
Don't wait another day.

Dr. Arrington, Church Historian, states that we have few really good pioneer biographies. Much information is available to be dug out and organized. Our sons could find that; their dads could unearth their own.

Information about us is not commonplace because some things happened to you and to me. We look gleefully at stories of ancestors a century ago and with more glee back 500 years or so.

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Chapter Eternal

Georgina Richards



Georgina Spencer Felt Richards, 85, 1833 South 20th East, died July 18, 1976 of a heart attack following a lingering illness. Born January 28, 1891, Salt Lake City, Utah, daughter of Charles B. and Georgina Spencer Felt. Married Joel Richards October 15, 1913, in the Salt Lake Temple. Member Primary General Board, Temple Square Guide. Served with husband who presided over the Northwestern States Mission from 1947 to 1951.

Survivors: husband; four sons, Wayne F. and Dr. C. Elliot, Salt Lake City; M. Brent, Bakersfield, California; Joel Jr., Boise, Idaho; one daughter, Mrs. W. Eugene (Helen Maxine) Fellows, Walnut Creek, California; 37 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren; sister, Mrs. Roy (Helen) Simmons, Salt Lake City.

Col Robb

John Colvin Robb, age 82, died August 2, 1976, in a Cedar City Hospital as a result of a fall.

Born February 17, 1894, Paragonah, Utah to Samuel and Amanda Maria Dalley Robb. Married Vanetta Cox Smith March 10, 1914, in the St. George LDS Temple. She died December 2, 1925. Married Hortense Beatty June 26, 1928, in the St. George LDS Temple. Active High Priest Cedar City Fourteenth Ward. Member and past president of the Cedar City Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers. He was a bus driver for Greyhound and Utah Parks.

Survivors: wife, Hortense, Cedar City; 2 sons, 5 daughters, Mrs. Ross (Zelma) Glass, Cedar City; Mrs. Lloyd (Ivy) Evans, Spanish Fork; Mrs. John (Marle) Owens, Henderson, Nevada; Carrol S. Robb (Biglow) San Lorenzo, California; John C. (Jack) Robb, Hunter; Sharon Jones, Taylorsville; Mrs. Garth (Alaine) Covington, Cedar City; Lamont Robb preceded him in death; 23 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren.

Roy Manning

Roy J. (Jimmy) Manning, 55, long-time coordinator of horseback activities in Salt Lake City, died of cancer.

Manning, 6590 S. 22nd East, was owner of Jimmy Manning House of Beauty, 250 S. 2nd West. He was associated with the Days of '47 celebration since 1947, either as a participant, member of the Days Committee or member of the board of directors.

Manning was a member of the Ute Rangers for 31 years, serving as president and drill master. He was a rider in the 1970 Centennial Pony Express Ride.

More recently, Manning coordinated the Bicentennial Celebration and Wagon Train Pilgrimage in 1975-76.

Manning was born March 16, 1921 in Clearfield to Le Roy G. and Thelma Sismore Manning. He married Kathryn Barton on June 22, 1942. He was a decorated veteran of World War II and the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife; son, James Christopher Manning, Salt Lake City; daughters, Karen M. Barlow and Kathleen M. Foote, both Salt Lake City; grandchildren, Michael Lee Barlow and Teri Barlow; mother, Thelma M. Nye, Ogden; brother, Richard S. Roy; sisters, Norma Hobson, George, Wash., Myrna Broadsword, Moses Lake, Wash., Ruth Stauffer, Plano, Tex.



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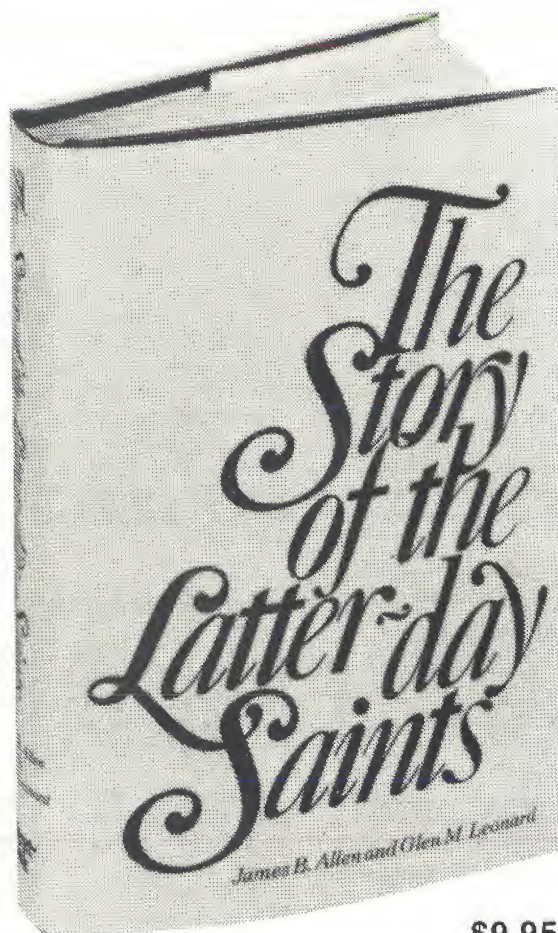
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10. Saturday, July 24: Marched in parade at Mendon, Utah.
11. Saturday, July 31: Marched in the Pioneer and Rodeo Parade at Preston, Idaho. President Ezra T. Benson was marshal of the day. Elder Mark E. Petersen also attended the Parade.
12. August 12, 13, 14: National S.U.P. Encampment at Provo.
13. August 28: Trek over Mormon Battalion and Pioneer Trail.

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